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Customer No.: **22242**

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**PETITION TO RESET DUE DATE**

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to reset the time for response to office communication in the above-identified application, since the office of the undersigned has not received the Office Action by mail.

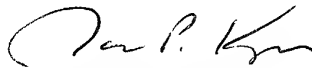
A Request for Continued Examination was filed by the Applicant on January 26, 2007, and a follow-up date of July 26, 2007, was entered into Fitch, Even, Tabin & Flannery's docket system. Upon the follow-up check on July 30, 2007, it was discovered that an office communication was issued showing a mail date of April 9, 2007, and a term of response of 1 (one) month. However, as can be seen from our docket printout, no papers from the United States Patent and Trademark office were ever received in the above application between January 26 and July 30, 2007. Attached is a copy of print-out from the docket system of Fitch, Even, Tabin & Flannery

dated July 30, 2007 showing the application information, and the first page of the office communication obtained from PAIR and docketed on July 31, 2007. Our office contacted Examiner Corbin on August 2, 2007, and notified him that the Office Action has not been received by mail and was only discovered recently.

Based on the above, Applicant respectfully requests to grant this petition and to reset the mail date of the office communication to July 30, 2007, and to consider the response to the Office Action mailed herewith to be timely filed within 1(one) month term.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required in this communication under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,  
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